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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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Examiner  
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**3676**

Invention Title  
**ROTATING MECHANICAL SEAL**

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Applicant respectfully requests a two-month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action dated September 11, 2003, for which a three-month response period expiring on December 11, 2003 was set. The extended period expires on February 11, 2004.

1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extension fee of **\$420.00** to the Deposit Account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, Deposit Account number **11-0600**. The office is also authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit overpayments, associated with this paper to Deposit Account **11-0600**.
2. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.

Dated: Jan. 30, 2004

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